

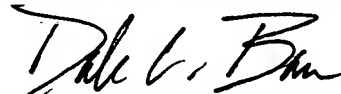
REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 25, 2005, please note that the undersigned attorney of record did not receive the Restriction Requirement until on or about October 26, 2005. Applicants express appreciation to the Examiner for transmitting the Restriction Requirement and bringing this matter to the attention of the undersigned. Please note that the Restriction Requirement was erroneously mailed on March 25, 2005 to the former address rather than the current address of the attorneys of record. The undersigned respectfully submits that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was made aware of this address change in a timely manner prior to March 25, 2005, as demonstrated by the Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document, which was mailed to the current address by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 16, 2004. Applicants express appreciation to the Examiner for accepting this response to the Restriction Requirement and for not holding the subject application abandoned.

Applicants hereby elect Claims 1-17 for prosecution at this time, and request that all other Claims be withdrawn from consideration without prejudice to possible filing and prosecution in subsequent continuation or divisional applications. If there are any questions regarding this application, or any matters that may be handled by telephone conference, the Examiner is kindly invited to telephone the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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